ECONOMICS COLLECTION GUIDELINES

I. Purpose and Program Description

A. Library's Collection Development Objectives

The primary purpose of the collection is to support teaching and research studies at the B.S. level in Economics.

B. Curricular Program Description

The economics program focuses upon instruction and analyzing policy issues relating to society's economic well-being.

C. New and Expanding Areas of Interest

- 1. International Economics
- 2. Environmental Economics

D. Areas of Specialization

- 1. Economic Analysis
- 2. Economic Policy Determination
- 3. Government and Non-profit Sector Economics
- 4. Public Policy Economics

E. Overlap with Other Academic Disciplines and Library Collections

Business Administration, Tax Law, Politics and Public Administration.

- II. General Selection Guidelines
- **A.** Languages: English is the primary language collected. Works in other languages may be acquired selectively and usually in English translation.
- **B.** Chronological Coverage: Emphasis is upon current materials, beginning in the late 20th century to the present. Few items relating to the history of accounting are collected.
- **C. Geographical Coverage**: Primarily emphasis is upon primarily upon U.S., though western accounting standards reflecting an international perspective are growing in influence..
- **D.** Types of Materials: Indexes, abstracts, encyclopedias, handbooks, reports and standards are collected, as are publications of professional organizations. As a regional depository, all items on the subject area issued by the Superintendent of Documents are acquired.
- **E. Imprint Date:** Current-imprint publications receive priority. Earlier materials will be very selectively collected as funding permits.
- **F. Physical Format**: Hardback, paperback, electronic formats, serials, audiovisuals and computer software are collected.

- **G. Treatment of Subject**: Publications relating to accounting, auditing, finance, and taxation are emphasized. Materials that focus on the standards for auditing and accounting will be emphasized.
- **H. Place of Publication**: Primarily the United States. Imprints from other countries will be considered, however, primary emphasis will be placed on English language publications.
- I. Acquisition Plans Affecting Accounting & Finance:
- **1.) Standing Orders**: Due to budget reductions in the mid-1990s, all standing orders in all fields were cancelled.
- 2.) Approval Plans: None.
- **J. Major Assessment / Selection Tools:** *Books for College Libraries*; *MLA*; Sheehy, Eugene P. *Guide to Reference Books*; Katz, Bill *Magazines for College Libraries*; *Choice Magazine*; *Booklist*; GOBI New Title Announcement Slips.

Assessments are conducted doing a comparison of the library holdings with those of the following peer institutions: Austin Peay State University (TPA), Columbus State University (GCO), Jacksonville State University (AJB), McNeese State University (LHA), Radford University (VRA), University of Louisiana-Monroe (LNE), University of North Alabama (ANO).

K. Weeding / Replacement: A major weeding was conducted in 2011 to remove damaged, superseded, out of date items, and those items which did not reflect the institutional curriculum. Following this, weeding has focused upon those items which are dated in terms of information on techniques and theory. For damaged items, efforts will be made to replace those materials. Discussions between the library liaison for the area and the department will take place to determine if an electronic copy of the title will be an acceptable replacement.

L. Classifications That Define the Scope of the Collection:

HA1-4737	Statistics		
HB 71-74	Economics as a Science		
HB 75-130	History of Economics. Economic Theory		
HB 131-137	Methodology. Mathematical Economics		
HB 201-206	Utility. Value		
HB 221-236	Price		
HB 238-251	Competition. Production. Wealth		
HB 501	Capital. Capitalism		
HB 522-534	Income. Factor Shares		
HB 535-551	Interest		
HB 601	Profit		
HB 615-715	Entrepreneurship . Risk & Uncertainty. Property.		
HB 801-843	Consumption. Demand		
HB 846-846.8	Welfare		
HB 3711-3840	Business Cycles. Economic Fluctuations		

Library Liaison: Best Subject: Accounting

COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT POLICY STATEMENT: CLASSED ANALYSIS

LC Class	Descriptor	Existing Strength	Desired Strength
HA1-4737	Statistics	3b	3b
HB 71-74	Economics as a	3b	3b
	Science		
HB 75-130	History of Economics.	3a	3b
	Economic Theory		
HB 131-137	Methodology.	3b	3b
	Mathematical		
	Economics		
HB 201-206	Utility. Value	3b	3b
HB 221-236	Price	3b	3b
HB 238-251	Competition.	3b	3b
	Production. Wealth		
HB 501	Capital. Capitalism	3b	3b
HB 522-534	Income. Factor Shares	3b	3b
HB 535-551	Interest	3b	3b
HB 601	Profit	3b	3b
HB 615-715	Entrepreneurship.	3b	3b
	Risk & Uncertainty.		
	Property		
HB 801-843	Consumption.	3b	3b
	Demand		
HB 846-846.8	Welfare	3b	3b
HB 3711-3840	Business Cycles.	2b	3a
	Economic		
	Fluctuations		